

St. Mary's Catholic Church

216 E. Lincoln St., PO Box 16
Reddick, IL

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 10, 2017

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm
Thurs— 8:30 am

Reconciliation:

Before Mass or by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Marriages – Diocesan Policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the Pastor before setting a date. No Weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

Hospitalized Parishioners – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

Mass Intentions:

9/09/17 Sat. 5:30pm +Pat & Alice Masching (Masching Family)
9/14/17 Thurs. 8:30am + Mary Jo Murphy
9/16/17 Sat. 5:30pm +Parishioners

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Rectory.
Suggested Donation is \$10.

Remember in Prayer our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so that we may live in freedom and peace!

Liturgical Schedule for Lectors

9/09/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Bridget
9/16/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Melinda

Holy Father's Intention for the month of September:

General Intention: Parishes. That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 462.00



We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Mary's Parish. If you haven't already done so, please register with the rectory office. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org Thank you!

Please remember in prayer Verneal Fritz who entered Eternal Life. Our condolences to her family and friends. Eternal Rest Grant to her O Lord. May her soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

There will be a second collection this weekend for Disaster Relief to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families that have lost loved ones and to all who have lost homes and businesses.

Reminder—The Knights of Columbus fall mum orders are due next weekend Sept. 17th.

Reddick Lioness Butterbraid Fundraiser -Reddick Lioness is once again selling butterbraids for the upcoming holidays. The Lioness use profits from this project to support the P.T.A. for Herscher Unit Schools, Bonfield Grade School Christmas Bicycles, Christmas Baskets for area families, and community events for the town of Reddick. The cost per butterbraid is \$14.00. The flavors are: Apple, Cream Cheese, Raspberry, Cinnamon, Cherry, Blueberry Cream Cheese, and Strawberry Cream Cheese. Double chocolate and Four Cheese and Herb are available for \$15.00 each. Lioness will be taking orders through September for delivery before Thanksgiving. If you would like to place an order please contact: Rosemary Brooks, Jane Arends, Gail Joyce, or Kelli Joyce

Diocese of Joliet Catholic School Substitute Teaching Opportunities If you are seeking fulfilling part-time work, hold a current Illinois Professional Educator License or Illinois Substitute License, and wish to serve as a Catholic school substitute teacher in one or more of the counties served by the Diocese of Joliet, your services will be greatly appreciated. Compensation is competitive with public school districts in the area. Please complete an online *Frontline Applicant Tracking* application at: <http://www.applitrack.com/diocesefjoliet/onlineapp/>

If you do not have a teaching license, but hold a Bachelor's Degree from any accredited institution of higher education, you may apply for a Substitute License based upon transcript evaluation. This evaluation will be processed at your request through any Regional Office of Education. For additional information, please contact Karen Udell, Catholic Schools Office Assistant Superintendent of Leadership & Personnel, via e-mail at: kudell@diocesefjoliet.org.

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for September

Lord Jesus Christ, As we begin to shift from summer schedules to autumn demands, teach us to recognize you, and help us follow you amidst our busy life. Open the Scriptures to us... that we may know you, see you, hear you – in the voices of friends and family, in the ministries of our parish, in the proclamation of the Word, and in the Breaking of the Bread. Teach us to be good stewards, that we may use your gifts wisely and care for all those you place in our path. Encourage us, when we are overwhelmed. Strengthen us, when we are frightened. Challenge our complacency. Help us make this new season a time of spiritual renewal, hope, and action to proclaim the Gospel in our words and in our deeds. For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend of September 9/10, 2017 -In today's second reading Saint Paul enjoins us to be indebted to no one. Debt creates the kind of pressure that impedes our relationship with Jesus Christ. But there is one debt we will always owe and never be able to pay off fully: The debt of showing love to others. We will never reach the place where we can say, "Now I love others as much as I ought, and that's enough." No matter how much we've grown in faith we will always be required to grow in love. Good stewards realize that God does not call them just to love those who are easy to love, but to love the unloved and the hard-to-love people in this world as well. This week, remind yourself: "I am put here as an ambassador of God's love."

